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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing for HPSCI Members Beilenson, Glickman, and
McHugh Regarding Nicaragua and El Salvador

1. On 21 November 1989, at 1600 hours, in room H-405 the Capitol, Representatives Anthony Beilenson (D., CA); Dan Glickman (D., KS); and Mathew McHugh (D., NY); House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence Members, received an updated briefing on Nicaragua and El Salvador. HPSCI staff participants were: Thomas Latimer and Richard Giza. Agency participants were: [REDACTED] Deputy Director for Operations; [REDACTED], Latin American Division, Directorate of Operations; [REDACTED], Deputy Director, House Liaison, Office of Congressional Affairs, and the undersigned. (C)

2. The briefing was already in progress when the undersigned and [REDACTED] arrived. Topics of interest discussed were: upcoming elections in Nicaragua--how we must lean on the Sandinistas to have free and fair elections; how the Yamales collect intelligence on the contras; infiltration of the contras from Nicaragua back into Honduras; how the Resistance said they would not sign a piece of paper for their demobilization; Human Rights issues; the 55 man limit on military advisers in El Salvador; and the Jesuit Priest incident and the likelihood we will ever know who exactly did the killing. (S)

3. This was a very informal briefing between the Members and the Agency participants. All three Members talked about their frustration on the Hill with the situation in both of these countries, and throughout Latin America. Everyone agreed that no one in the Administration can see an end to these wars. There were no outstanding questions and the session lasted approximately one and one half hours. (U)

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